

ORDINANCE NO. 650

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE No. 638  
CONCERNING WATER CONSERVATION PROVISIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Las Animas has enacted Ordinance No. 638 which creates conservation provisions for the City of Las Animas; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 638 provides for Phase I, Phase II and Phase III restrictions; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 638 has been amended by Ordinance No. 647 providing for a "Safe Phase" which when in effect, provides for no water restrictions to be imposed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinances as existing are not adequate to meet the water usage needs of commercial property owners in the City of Las Animas; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council determines that water restrictions related specifically to commercial properties should be established;

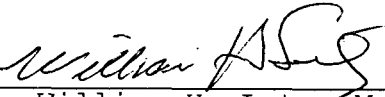
**BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

- a. Ordinance No. 638 is amended to provide for a "Commercial Property Water Conservation Program" within its Water Conservation Program.
- b. This Ordinance shall establish a Commercial Property Water Conservation Program for commercial properties, to allow watering Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- c. That a commercial property owner wishing to avail itself of the Commercial Property Water Conservation Program shall apply for a permit from the Las Animas City Clerk, who shall make a determination as to whether the property is in fact commercial property. Commercial property for purposes of this ordinance is defined as any property within the service area of Las Animas Municipal Utilities that is not residential property.
- d. That for any commercial property where a permit has been issued shall no longer be subject to Phase I, Phase II or Phase III watering restrictions, regardless of the address of the commercial property. However, all provisions relating to the "Safe Phase" as provided in Ordinance No. 647 shall be applicable to commercial properties.

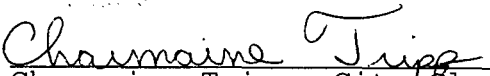
- e. A violation of any provision of this Ordinance by a commercial property owner who has received a permit hereunder shall be punishable as a misdemeanor under the terms of fines and imprisonment as provided for by other City Ordinances within the City of Las Animas.

ADOPTED as an emergency ordinance on first reading this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2004.

CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO

  
By: William H. Lutz, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Charmaine Tripp, City Clerk